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SUBJECT: ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY TOLL NEGOTIATIONS

REF: STATE 37828

1. LANGUAGE PARA 2 REFTEL DISCUSSED WITH EXTAFF (HALL)
FEB. 14. WHILE SHE FOUND OUR PROPOSED WORDING ACCEPTABLE,
INCLUDING REPLACEMENT OF "MAINTAINING" WITH "ACHIEVING"
SHE SAID SHE COULD NOT ACCEPT DELETION OF "FOR EACH
SECTION".

2. HALL SAID THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO NEGOTIATING LEEWAY
ON CANADIAN SIDE ON US REQUEST FOR DELETION OF "FOR EACH
SECTION" PHRASE. SHE RECALLED THAT WHEN US/CANADIAN TALKS
BEGAN IT WAS BASIC POSITION OF CANADIANS THAT WELLAND
CANAL BE CONSIDERED AS SEPARATE ENTITY. CANADA HAD MOVED
FROM THAT POSITION TO REACH OVERALL AGREEMENT BUT STILL
MAINTAINS THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO CROSS SUBSIDIZATION OF
ONE SECTION OF THE SEAWAY BY ANOTHER. SHE REJECTED ARGU-
MENT RELATING TO MOLO CANAL TOLLS AS INDICATING ANY
CANADIAN GIVE ON THIS ISSUE. IN SHORT, CANADIANS STILL
WILL NOT CONSIDER REMOVING "FOR EACH SECTION" FROM THE
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NOTE.

3. COMMENT: HALL TOLD US SHE WAS ABLE TO OBTAIN AGREEMENT
IN OTTAWA FOR OUR LANGUAGE ESTABLISHING REVIEW EVERY FOUR
YEARS WITH FIRST REVIEW IN 1981 BY CONVINCING DEPUTY TRANS-
PORT MINISTER THAT THIS ISSUE, AS WELL AS ALL OTHERS, WOULD
BE OPEN FOR RENEGOTIATION AT THE TIME OF THE FIRST INTER-

GOVERNMENTAL REVIEW. SHE SUGGESTED THAT US MIGHT CONSIDER
ACCEPTING "FOR EACH SECTION" WORDING SINCE IT WOULD ALSO
BE SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND RENEGOTIATION IN 1981.

4. DEPARTMENT INSTRUCTIONS REQUESTED. ENDERS

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